

What is claimed is:

1. A skirt for a motor vehicle chassis, comprising:

a skirt panel having an inside surface and an aerodynamic outside surface;

a skirt panel mounting frame mounted with respect to the motor vehicle chassis;

a track supported on the skirt panel mounting frame; and

bearing means depending from the skirt panel and set in the track for sliding motion back and forth parallel to the direction of elongation of the motor vehicle chassis and to orient the aerodynamic outside surface away from the motor vehicle chassis.

2. A skirt for a motor vehicle chassis as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

a fixed position panel depending from the motor vehicle chassis forward from the skirt panel, the skirt panel being movable between a forward position directly adjacent to and just behind the fixed position panel along a first vertical edge, and a rearward position spaced from the fixed position panel allowing access to a portion of the motor vehicle chassis between the fixed position panel and the skirt panel.

3. A skirt for a motor vehicle chassis as set forth in claim 2, wherein the skirt panel is a molded plastic panel.

4. A skirt for a motor vehicle chassis as set forth in claim 3, further comprising:

a set of rollers mounted for rotation with respect to the skirt panel and set in the track for linear movement.

5. A skirt for a motor vehicle chassis as set forth in claim 3, further comprising:

the skirt panel having an upper edge adapted to cooperate with the track for supporting and positioning the skirt panel.

6. A truck body having left and right sides, the truck body comprising:

lower body panels mounted with respect to the right and left sides to cover portions of a vehicle chassis on which the truck body is mounted; and

the lower body panels including for at least one side of the truck body a front section panel and an aft section panel, the aft section panel being moveable forward and back along the side of the truck body between a forward position directly aft of the front section panel along an edge and a rearward position spaced from the front section panel to expose a portion of the vehicle chassis.

7. A truck body as set forth in Claim 6, wherein the aft section panel covers, when disposed in its forward position, a battery box depending from the vehicle chassis and further wherein the battery box is accessible between the rear section panel and the forward panel section when the aft section panel is in its rearward position.

8. A truck body as set forth in Claim 7, further comprising a track depending from and parallel to the direction of elongation of the chassis supporting the aft section panel.

9. A truck body as set forth in Claim 8, wherein the aft panel section further comprises:

a plurality of wheels mounted for rotation with respect to the aft panel section and set in the track allowing the aft panel section to moved linearly forward and

backwards.

10. A truck body as set forth in Claim 8, wherein the aft panel section further comprises:

an upper edge shaped to fit in the track for support and linear backwards and forward movement.

11. A motor vehicle chassis skirt panel comprising:

a frame depending from a side of a motor vehicle chassis;

a fixed position skirt panel located from the chassis in line with and in front of the motor vehicle chassis skirt panel; and

a chassis skirt panel supported on the frame below a motor vehicle body side for movement parallel to the direction of elongation of the motor vehicle chassis between a first, closed position and a second open position relative to the fixed position skirt panel.